

RECORDS OF TOWN MEETING

DELIBERATIVE SESSION MINUTES

FEBRUARY 7, 2011

NEWTON TOWN HALL

Moderator Robert Dezmelyk opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m., and led the legislative body in the Pledge of Allegiance. He noted that this was the 262st Annual Town Meeting of Newton NH, give or take a few years. Mr. Dezmelyk started the meeting by taking a moment to reflect on the life of Myrtle Rogers, a very special, longtime Newton resident that had recently passed away. Myrtle served the town as a Selectman, a State Representative, Supervisor of the Checklist and a Grange member. She made major contributions to the Historical Society and most every activity in town. Myrtle had a tremendous, positive, optimistic, can-do attitude, and she faced some very difficult challenges towards the end of her life, but she was a great inspiration, by her ability to carry on and to be optimistic for what must have been, for her, very difficult circumstances. A moment of silence was then taken to remember Myrtle Rogers.

Mr. Dezmelyk noted that the venue of Deliberative Session had been changed for a few reasons, one being the fact that Town Hall had better audio and video for the residents watching at home. He then went on to introduce the Town Officials present at this meeting: Board of Selectmen members, Trisha McCarthy and Raymond Thayer, Town Administrator Nancy Wrigley, Selectmen's Office Manager, Mary Winglass, Town Clerk, Mary-Jo McCullough, Deputy Town Clerk, Cheryl Saunders, Supervisors of the Checklist, Lisa Fortin and Collette Ferrandi, and the members of the Cable Committee, Diane Morin, Susan Godin, Sally Woodman, Tom Gasse and Mary Marshall.

The Moderator informed the body of procedure; discussion and possible amending of articles. He cautioned voters of a new state law, prohibiting the total deletion of a total warrant article leaving only the words "To see...". He then went on to read the warrant.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Newton, N.H. in the County of Rockingham, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs; you are hereby notified to meet for the first session of the annual meeting, which shall be for the explanation, discussion and debate of each warrant article and the transaction of all business other than voting by official ballot to be held at the **Newton Town Hall**, February 7, 2011 at 7:00 PM; the second session to be held at the Newton Town Hall, in said Newton, on Tuesday, the eighth day of March next, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, to choose all necessary Town officers for the ensuing year by official ballot, and to vote on all issues before the Town of Newton on the official ballot; the polls to be open at eight o'clock in the forenoon and to close not earlier than eight o'clock in the evening.

1. To elect all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.
2. Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 1** as proposed by petition of 25 or more legal voters in the Town of Newton to amend the Newton Zoning Ordinance as follows?

To designate that parcel of land as shown, on the Town of Newton Tax Maps as Map 6, Block 5, Lot 11 as being part of and in the Commercial Zone – Section II Newton Zoning Ordinance.

This designation would add and join said parcel to an already existing commercial zone and commercially zoned parcels which Map 6, Block 5, Lot 11 currently abuts.

THE PLANNING BOARD DOES NOT RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE 4-0

3. Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 2** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Newton Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Section II - Establishment of Zones by creating Village District Zone classification in the areas of Rowe's Corner, Central Main Street, and Newton Junction to provide the opportunity for the integration of limited commercial, professional, and service oriented business uses with existing residential and civic uses and preserve the historical and rural character of the areas.

VILLAGE DISTRICT ZONE

1. District Objectives

- a. Provide the opportunity for the integration of limited commercial, professional and service oriented business uses with those existing residential and civic uses situated in the Newton Village District
- b. Recognize residential uses will continue to be an integral part of the Newton Village District
- c. Create a framework by which a diverse mixture of residential and non-residential uses within the District remains sustainable.
- d. Encourage a complementary mix of residential and non-residential uses intended to support each other while affording employment opportunities and modest expansion of the Town's tax base.
- e. Preserve valuable historical, cultural and natural features, which define the rural character of Newton's Village District
 - 1) Existing structures of historical significance, as may be identified in the Master Plan, should be preserved and reused where possible.
- f. Ensure permitted non-residential uses are compatible with continued residential uses in the Village District.

2. Permitted Uses

- a. Single unit dwellings and accessory buildings.
- b. Farms, farm uses and customary farm occupations other than commercial piggeries and mink farms.
- c. Home Occupations and Home Based Businesses, subject to the provisions of Section III of this Ordinance.

- d. Accessory Apartments, subject to the provisions of Section XXVI of this Ordinance.
- e. Elderly Housing, subject to the provisions of Section XXX of this Ordinance.

The following list is an example of permitted uses subject to Site Plan Review and approval by the Planning Board:

- f. Multiple-unit dwellings
- g. Retail sales establishments.
- h. Professional offices and studios.
- i. Medical, dental, and other health care facilities.
- j. Financial institutions.
- k. Personal service establishments primarily engaged in providing services involving the care of a person or their personal goods or apparel. These services include, but are not limited to, laundry, linen supply, beauty and barber shops, shoe repair, clothing rental, consignment shops and tailor shops.
- l. Food service establishments.
- m. Social membership clubs.
- n. Inns and Bed & Breakfast establishments.
- o. Places of worship.
- p. Educational and day care facilities.
- q. Congregate care and assisted living facilities.
- r. Governmental uses of land and buildings.
- s. Animal hospitals.

3. Restrictions and Special Provisions

- a. The areas of the Village District Zones shall be defined as the lots indicated in Appendix A of this ordinance.
- b. The property owner must occupy one of the units unless otherwise approved by the Planning Board.
- c. Dimensional Requirements
 - 1) All buildings shall be setback a minimum of fifteen feet (15') from lot lines other than the front lot line; and shall have a setback of between fifteen feet (15') and thirty feet (30') from the front lot line,

except in cases where the average front lot line setback of existing properties within five hundred feet (500') in both directions, along and on the same side of the street is less. In such cases the required minimum front lot line setback may be taken as that average distance.

- 2) No building height shall exceed 2.5 stories or thirty-five feet (35').
- d. Drive-through service windows are prohibited.
- e. Outdoor storage and/or display of non-agricultural goods, products, materials, and equipment shall be prohibited. Outdoor storage and display may be permitted by the Planning Board with non-residential site plan approval if deemed in keeping with the stated District objectives.
- f. In no case shall the first floor area of any single building exceed six thousand five hundred thirty-four (6,534) square feet.
- g. Two or more permitted uses may be allowed on a single lot or within a single structure. However, in no case shall a non-residential use occur on the same lot as a multi-unit dwelling.
- h. Shared parking facilities and driveways shall be provided and the parking space requirements reduced where shared parking is designed to maximize complimentary uses and it has been demonstrated to the Planning Board that sufficient parking will be available when it is needed.
- i. Existing buildings, with historical significance, as identified in the Newton Master Plan, should be preserved and reused for allowed uses with shared parking and driveways. Shared parking would be located to minimize its visual impact in order to preserve the village character. Existing buildings are not subject to the dimensional requirements set by this District.
- j. Buildings shall be designed and sited to maintain views and vistas.
- k. The Planning Board may require public space or open square for outdoor activities, including ADA accessible pedestrian walkways, are provided as applicable.
- l. The recommended district land use mix in total build out occupiable square footage is 40% retail and service uses, 40% offices and 20% residential. The Planning Board will review each proposal for compliance with the recommended land use mix and the district purpose.
- m. Within fifty feet (50') of a right-of-way, all parking shall be located to the side and/or rear of all existing or proposed buildings.
- n. A change of use to existing principle or accessory structures shall be allowed and shall also comply with all local ordinances and regulations.

- o. No materials defined as hazardous under 49 U.S.C. 5103 will be used or stored on the premise.
 - p. Applicants shall demonstrate that historic structures and features are maintained and preserved to the extent possible and reasonable, as determined by the Planning Board.
 - q. The Planning Board may create Subdivision and Site Plan Review Regulations to implement the provisions of this Ordinance.
- 4. Special Use Permits for Non-conforming Structures and Lots.

Pursuant to the authority granted by RSA 674:21, Innovative Land Use Controls, the Planning Board shall be authorized to permit a change of use to property that is non-conforming with respect to dimensional requirements, provided the following criteria are met:

 - a. That the proposed use, in the opinion of the Planning Board, can adequately and safely be accommodated on the property.
 - b. That adequate landscaping, buffering, and fencing is provided as necessary to minimize impacts on adjoining properties.
 - c. That adequate and safe access can be provided to the property.

APPENDIX A

Village District Zoning Parcel List

Rowe's Corner

Map 10

- Block 2; Lots 19-1,19-2, 20, 21, 22
- Block 3; Lot 4, 4-1
- Block 4; Lots 1,2
- Block 5; Lots 5,6,7,8
- Block 7; Lots 14,15,16,17
- Block 10; Lots 14,15,16,17,18,19

Central Main Street

Map 11

- Block 5; Lots 16-23
- Block 6; Lots 1-8
- Block 7; Lots 1-14, 20-25
- Block 8; Lots 1, 2
- Block 10 Lots 12,13

Newton Junction

Map 6

- Block 2; Lot 4
- Block 4; Lots 1-3
- Block 5; Lots 1-11, 11-1
- Block 6; Lots 1-5
- Block 9; Lots 28-36
- Block 15; Lots 1-11
- Block 14; Lots 1-10

THE PLANNING BOARD DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE 4-0

4. “Shall the Town of Newton raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling 2,829,762.00? Should this article above be defeated, the default budget shall be \$2,829,762.00, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Newton or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.”

NOTE: This operating budget warrant article does not include appropriations contained in ANY other warrant articles.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE 2-0

ARTICLE #4 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS WRITTEN

5. “Are you in favor of **increasing the Board of Selectmen to 5 members**”? RSA 41:8-b

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE 2-0

BOS Chair Trisha McCarthy spoke to inform the body that this type of warrant article needed to be a citizen’s petition, and therefore, if passed, would not count, and they would most likely revisit this issue next year.

ARTICLE #5 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS WRITTEN

6. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the Solid Waste Ordinance pursuant to RSA 149-M as proposed by the Board of Selectmen as follows:

Authority

In accordance with the provisions of New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated, Chapter 149-M:17 and Chapter 31:39, authorizing the Town of Newton to enact ordinances, this Solid Waste Ordinance is adopted by the Town of Newton in an Annual Town Meeting.

Purpose

It is the declared purpose of the Town of Newton, through the adoption of this Ordinance, to protect health, safety and welfare of the residents, property owners and visitors to the Town of Newton. It is also intended to preserve the natural environment and to conserve precious and dwindling natural resources through the proper recycling, reuse, disposal and integrated management of the community's solid wastes.

Section 1. Definitions

- A. *Compactor* – a machine which crushes and reduces volume of household waste.
- B. *Compostable Materials* – means all lawn clippings, leaves and garden waste.
- C. *Logs and Brush* – means limbs and trunks not to exceed 10" in diameter and 4 feet in length.
- D. *NH State Licensed hauler* - – means any person or company, licensed within the State of NH, for hire, who collects and transports solid waste.
- E. *Selectmen's List of Recyclable Materials* – means a list drafted and approved by the Board of Selectmen that includes materials that can be used to produce marketable goods, including but not limited to clear and colored glass, aluminum, plastics, corrugated cardboard, batteries, paper and other designated products.
- F. *Solid Waste Transfer Station and Recycling Center* – means a location, system or physical structure for the collection, separation, storage, transfer, processing, treatment or disposal of solid waste.
- G. *Solid Wastes* – means the entire waste stream which includes both recyclable and non-recyclable materials.

Section 2. Use of Solid Waste Facility Restricted

Access to the Town of Newton Solid Waste Transfer Station and Recycling Center is restricted to use by the residents and property owners, town organizations and departments in the Town of Newton, New Hampshire or other entities as approved by the Board of Selectmen per the Transfer Station Policy.

Section 3. Operation

- A. *In General.* The operation of the Town of Newton Solid Waste Transfer Station and Recycling Center will be in accordance with the Town of Newton Ordinance and by such additional rules, regulations, policies and procedures as may be adopted by the Board of Selectmen, the State of New Hampshire and / or the United States of America.
- B. *Placement of Materials.* Acceptable solid wastes shall be placed at the Solid Waste Transfer Station/Recycling Center in accordance with these regulations, the directions from personnel employed by the Town and the posted signage providing directions for the disposal of selected materials in designated areas.
- C. *Operational Authority.* The operation and supervision of the Solid Waste Transfer Station / Recycling Center is under the Board of Selectmen and its designated and authorized representatives. The operation and supervision include, but are not limited to, the exclusive right to inspect loads brought to the facility and the individuals and vehicles transporting the same to

determine compliance with this Ordinance and the laws of the State of New Hampshire and the United States of America.

D. Hours of Operation. The hours of operation shall be established by the Board of Selectmen. Use of the Solid Waste Transfer Station/Recycling Center, except during the established hours of operation, is strictly prohibited. The Board of Selectmen reserves the right to change the days and hours of operation. Additionally, the Board of Selectmen has the right to temporarily close the facility, with or without notice, in cases of emergency.

E. Video Surveillance Cameras. The Solid Waste Transfer Station/Recycling Center is monitored 24 hours a day, 7 days a week with video cameras. This is to insure the safety of the town employees, residents and other authorized facility users.

Section 4. Utilization of Facility / General Use

A. Solid Waste

1. *Acceptable Materials.* Acceptable solid wastes are derived from the normal operations of households within the Town of Newton or per Selectmen's Transfer Station Policy. These must be acceptable at the Solid Waste Landfill or Co-Generation Facility contracted by the Town for solid waste disposal.
2. *Fees for Solid Wastes.* A schedule of fees to be known as the "Transfer Station Fees" shall be established and amended as needed by the Board of Selectmen.
3. *Unacceptable Materials* include but are not limited to: hazardous wastes, radioactive materials; explosives; ammunition for fire arms or weapons of any kind; items regulated by State or Federal law and requiring the issuance of special permits for its disposal; any item with a temperature beyond its burning point; paints; regulated chemicals; dead animals or animal parts; wastes which when in contact with acceptable materials deposited at the facility may cause damage to the facility or injury to the persons using or employed at the facility. For more information see the Transfer Station attendants.
4. The disposal of any type of waste materials, outside the fenced area or in areas other than the designated location within the disposal area is illegal and unlawful.
5. Persons using the Solid Waste Transfer Station/Recycling Center shall separate and deposit all materials in the designated areas for such disposal.
6. Each person placing waste into the compactor shall be responsible for picking up all materials that do not properly enter the unit.
7. *Commercial/Industrial businesses* are required to obtain rubbish pick-up service by a New Hampshire State licensed hauler. Such solid waste shall not be deposited at the Solid Waste Transfer Station/Recycling Center.
8. *Town Departments.* Town Departments may deposit refuse generated by such department at the Solid Waste Transfer Station/Recycling Center without charge, and in accordance with all regulations.

B. Recycling

At this time, recycling in the Town of Newton is on a volunteer basis, but strongly encouraged not only because of its impact on our environment, but because it can save the Town money in disposal costs.

1. *Materials to be Recycled.* The Town shall provide for the recycling of glass containers, aluminum containers; aluminum foils; steel containers; plastics; newspapers; magazines; paperboard containers; cardboard; yards wastes; clean wood; wood chips; leaves and other materials that may be designated by the Town. For a complete list see Selectmen's List of Recyclable Materials.
2. *No Charge for Recycled Material.* Recycled materials will be accepted at the Solid Waste Transfer Station/Recycling Center without cost to any resident or property owner provided such materials are presented for recycling in accordance with the preparation requirements for recycled materials.

C. Yard Wastes

1. *Compostable Wastes Accepted.* Compostable materials derived from the annual or regular maintenance of real property will be accepted at the Solid Waste Transfer Station/Recycling Center at no charge provided the materials are separated in accordance with posted instructions.
2. *Logs / Brush.* Such materials removed from Newton residential property may be deposited at the Solid Waste Transfer Station/Recycling Center. Logs and brush will be deposited in a designated area and the materials so deposited may be taken free of charge by any resident or property owner for their personal use on a first come basis. Tree stumps will not be accepted at the Solid Waste Transfer Station/Recycling Center.

Section 5. Permits

A. *Issuance.* The Town issues permit stickers to facilitate the entrance and use of the Solid Waste Transfer Station/Recycling Center.

B. *Permit Sticker Use.*

- a. Use of the Solid Waste Transfer Station/Recycling Center shall be by permit only.
- b. The use permit sticker issued shall be permanently affixed to the inside, lower left-hand corner of the vehicle's windshield or as authorized by the Board of Selectmen, before entrance and disposal will be allowed. **"No Sticker = No Entrance or Disposal."**

C. *Loss of Permit Sticker.* There is a replacement fee for lost stickers.

D. Permit Sticker shall be removed when a car is sold or no longer registered.

E. *Permit Stickers* will be issued without charge on presentation of: “Proof of residency and a vehicle registration showing proof of State of New Hampshire, Town of Newton registered motor vehicles”. – EXCEPTION – Proof of residency to the Town Clerk’s Office will allow for a sticker for an out of town car and a list of these exceptions will be posted with the Solid Waste Transfer Station/Recycling Center Attendants.

F. *Non-resident property owners* will be issued a temporary permit without charge, from the Selectmen’s Office, upon presentation of a property tax receipt..

G. *Special temporary permits* may be issued by the Selectmen under such circumstances and conditions as they may deem necessary for the health, safety and welfare of the town.

H. *Revocation of Permit Sticker.* The Board of Selectmen may revoke stickers issued for use and entrance to the Solid Waste Transfer Station/Recycling Center for infractions of this Ordinance. Such revocation may be for a temporary period or may be permanent depending upon the infraction and its seriousness.

I. *Appeal of Permit Sticker Revocations.* Any holder of a permit that is revoked may appeal the revocation to the Board of Selectmen who shall hold a public hearing concerning the revocation. The Board may uphold the revocation or may overturn the revocation and restore the permit to the original permit holder.

J. *Permit Stickers Not Transferable.* Stickers issued by the Town for the use of the Solid Waste Transfer Station/Recycling Center are not transferable. Such stickers shall not be loaned to others and are for the exclusive use of the resident or property owner to whom the permit is issued. Violation of this section of the Ordinance may cancel the issued permit.

K. *Permit Sticker Fees Not Returnable or Refundable.* If a fee has been charged for the issuance of a sticker under this Ordinance and the sticker is subsequently revoked or suspended for violation of this Ordinance, the permit holder is not entitled to a refund of any of the permit fee.

Section 6. Penalties

In accordance with the provisions of RSA 149-M:17, II, (b) any person who violates the provisions of this Ordinance shall be subject to a fine of up to \$3000 to be issued in the form of a summons and notice of fine as provided in RSA 502-A: 19-b. Such summons shall be issued by the Police Department as the enforcing officers for the Board of Selectmen.

Section 7. Severability

If any provision, word, clause, section, paragraph, phrase or sentence of this Ordinance is found by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional, unlawful or unenforceable such unconstitutionality, unlawfulness or unenforceability shall not affect the other provisions of this Ordinance, provided that the purposes of this Ordinance can still be achieved in the absence of the invalid provisions.

Section 8. Effective

This Ordinance shall become effective when adopted by the Annual Town Meeting and shall repeal all other Ordinances or portions of Ordinances that may be in conflict with the provisions herein enacted.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE 2-0

Mary Marshall offered an amendment to Section 6. Penalties, to replace the words, “of up to \$3000” with “per a uniform schedule”. Motion was seconded and carried by voice vote.

ARTICLE #6 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS AMENDED

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$106,169.00 for the repair and maintenance of town roads** and to authorize the use of the NH Highway Block Grant in the amount of **\$106,169.00 to offset this appropriation**. This is a non-lapsing warrant article and will not lapse until December 31, 2016 or until the project is completed, whichever comes first.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE 2-0

[Intent: This proposed article will result in no increase in the amount to be raised in taxes.]

ARTICLE #7 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS WRITTEN

8. To see if the Town will vote to establish, as proposed by the Conservation Commission, the entire Town of Newton as a Water District and authorize the Board of Selectmen, pursuant to New Hampshire RSA Chapter 38, to establish a municipal water utility, to accept future dedications of water utility infrastructure and to acquire those portions of existing water utility infrastructure, plant and property which the Selectmen judge to be suitable for establishing a municipal water utility, with the further understanding that any agreement to accept or acquire such plant or infrastructure shall either be paid for from monies appropriated for general government purposes, or alternately, in the Selectmen’s discretion, any agreement to acquire or a determination of acquisition price shall be presented to a future Newton Town Meeting for approval and ratification prior to final acquisition of water utility property? (2/3 Vote Required)

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE 2-0

Peter Mears, Conservation Chairman, made a motion to reword the entire article to keep it simple and less confusing to the voters, and to have it read, “To see if the Town will vote to establish a Water District composed of the entire Town of Newton as this Water District in order to protect our aquifer, water shed, and natural resources and drinking water.” The motion was seconded and carried by voice vote.

ARTICLE #8 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS AMENDED

9. To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of the previously established Capital Reserve Fund (created in 2005) for the future purchase of fire apparatus and equipment to include refurbishment of fire apparatus and equipment, and further to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. (2/3 Vote Required)

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE 2-0

Trustee of Trust Funds Chair, James Doggett requested that Articles #9 & 10 be inverted because if they stay in the order as is, and both articles pass, there would be no account in which to deposit the \$50,000.00. Motion was made to swap positions on the ballot, seconded and carried by voice vote. Article 9 will now be #10 and Article 10 will now be #9.

ARTICLE #9 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS WRITTEN AS #10

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, as proposed by the Board of Selectmen and the Fire Chief the sum of **\$50,000.00** to be placed in the existing **Capital Reserve Fund** known as the “Fire Apparatus and Equipment Fund” created in 2005.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE 2-0

ARTICLE #10 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS WRITTEN AS #9

11. Shall the Town **accept the provision of RSA 202-A:23** which will allow the Gale Library Trustees to accept, receive, invest and administer directly any funds and donations when so specified by the donor. Library Trustees administering and investing such special funds shall be governed by the provisions of RSA 31:25 and RSA 41:6.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE 2-0

ARTICLE #11 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS WRITTEN

12. To see if the Town will vote, as proposed by the Gale Library Trustees, to **change the use of the savings account “Library Building Fund”** in the amount of \$8,340.00 **to be used for library upgrades and alterations to the current or existing library building.** The Library Trustees will be the agents to expend these funds.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE 2-0

ARTICLE #12 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS WRITTEN

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, as proposed by the Recreation Commission and the Board of Selectmen, the sum of **\$3,000** for **recreational programs and trips for senior citizens.**

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE 2-0

ARTICLE #13 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS WRITTEN

14. To see if the Town will vote, as proposed by the Board of Selectmen, to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$20,000** to be paid toward the **2011 SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL BUDGET** as an offset to the disposal costs and to authorize the withdrawal of \$20,000 from the Transfer Station/Recycling Special Revenue Fund created in 2003 for this purpose.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE 2-0

[Intent: This proposed article will result in no increase in the amount to be raised in taxes.]

ARTICLE #14 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS WRITTEN

15. To see if the Town will vote, as proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Transfer Station Manager, to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$15,000** to hold a **HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY for Newton Residents only** and to authorize the withdrawal of \$15,000 from the Transfer Station/Recycling Special Revenue Fund created in 2003 for this purpose.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE 2-0

[Intent: This proposed article will result in no increase in the amount to be raised in taxes.]

ARTICLE #15 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS WRITTEN

16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$2,000.00** for **A SAFE PLACE** to continue free and confidential Domestic Violence Support Services, counseling, emergency shelter services and community educational outreach.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE 2-0

ARTICLE #16 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS WRITTEN

17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$3,800.00** to **AREA HOMECARE & FAMILY SERVICES** for the purpose of helping to defray the cost of in-home services for Newton's elderly and people with disabilities, so they may stay in their homes for as long as possible.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE 2-0

ARTICLE #17 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS WRITTEN

18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$2,000.00** for the **CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER** to assist the Newton Police Department in the coordination and investigation of child abuse cases.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE 2-0

ARTICLE #18 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS WRITTEN

19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$2,000.00** for **DRUGS ARE DANGEROUS INC. (D.A.D.)** and to continue the "Natural High" experiences to our children, youth and families.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE 2-0

ARTICLE #19 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS WRITTEN

20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$5,947.00** for the purpose of continued funding for **FAMILY MEDIATION & JUVENILE SERVICES**, a non-profit organization since 1983, to continue to provide the following services: Parent-Child Mediation, Peer Mediation Training, Community Service, Restitution, Youth and Parent Anger-Management Courses, Youth and Parent Substance Abuse Awareness Courses, Stop Shoplifting Courses, Tobacco Education, and individually-tailored juvenile diversion contracts.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE 2-0

ARTICLE #20 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS WRITTEN

21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$1,800.00** for **LAMPREY HEALTH CARE** to continue to provide primary care & preventive health services and the senior transportation program.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE 2-0

ARTICLE #21 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS WRITTEN

22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$750.00** for **NH SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS (NHSPCA)** to continue providing animal care and sheltering services, humane education and community services and cruelty investigations.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE 2-0

ARTICLE #22 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS WRITTEN

23. On a petition of 25 or more legal voter of the Town of Newton, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$5,000.00** for **ROCKINGHAM COMMUNITY ACTION** to continue their outreach programs and the broad range of services they provide such as: **Fuel Assistance, Electric assistance, Child Care Resource, Surplus Food Distribution, Emergency food Pantry, Homeless Prevention, Literacy Services, WIC Supple-mental food Program, etc.**

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE 2-0

ARTICLE #23 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS WRITTEN

24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$1,373.00** to support **ROCKINGHAM NUTRITION and MEALS ON WHEELS PROGRAM**, providing meals for older, homebound and disabled Newton residents.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE 2-0

ARTICLE #24 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS WRITTEN

25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$2,000.00** for **SEACARE HEALTH SERVICES** to provide access to healthcare to uninsured individuals who live in the Town of Newton.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE 2-0

ARTICLE #25 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS WRITTEN

26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$2,700.00** for **VIC GEARY CENTER** to provide a safe gathering place for senior citizens to congregate, share a nutritious noon meal, participate in social and recreational activities and to provide many clinics such as blood pressure, foot care, hearing, sight, home safety and tax preparation.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE 2-0

ARTICLE #26 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS WRITTEN

27. On a petition of 25 or more legal voter of the Town of Newton, to see if the Town will vote to establish a Newton Agriculture Commission, pursuant to RSA 674:44-e through g; RSA 673:1,II; RSA 673:4-b.

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James Doggett pointed out a typo, stating the article should read 'voters' and not 'voter'.

ARTICLE #27 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS CORRECTED

Respectfully submitted,

Mary-Jo McCullough
Newton Town Clerk